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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2192

As Recommended by Senate Committee on
Ways and Means

Brief*

The bill would raise by \$4.00 to \$6.00 the amount charged by the Department of Revenue for issuance of drivers' licenses and non-driver identification cards. The fee increases for various classes of licenses would be as follows:

Class C (persons ages 21-65) from \$12 to \$18

Class C (persons under 21) from \$8 to \$12

Class M (persons ages 21-65) from \$6.50 to \$12.50

Class M (persons under 21) from \$5 to \$9

Class A or B (persons ages 21-65) from \$18 to \$24

Class A or B (persons under 21) from \$12 to \$16

Commercial licenses from \$12 to \$18

Non-driver identification card (persons under 65 and not handicapped) from \$8 to \$14

Non-driver identification card (persons 65 or older or handicapped) from \$4 to \$10

The bill also would create a Photo Fee Fund to partially finance administration and operation, including equipment, associated with the issuance of drivers' licenses and identification cards. The fund would

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be the repository for all photo fees collected by the Department of Revenue under existing law. The fee fund would be administered by the Secretary of Revenue.

Background

Part of the bill is intended to implement one of the recommendations contained in the *Governor's FY 2004 Budget Report*. Testimony in support of the bill was presented to the House Committee on Transportation by a representative of the Governor and by the Director of Vehicles in the Department of Revenue. The increase in fees for drivers' licenses and identification cards would equal \$1.00 for each year the drivers' license or identification card is valid. No opponents to the bill presented testimony to the House Committee.

The Senate Committee on Ways and Means heard testimony from representatives of the Governor's Office and the Department of Revenue who favored the bill, asking that no amendments be included. It was suggested that subsequent bills could be used to implement other of the Governor's recommendations, such as the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control transfer and financing its operation.

The second part of the bill that reduces funding for the State Highway Fund by \$1.5 million and increases money available in the new Photo Fee Fund is intended to help pay with fees the costs of administration and operation, including the purchase of equipment, for producing drivers' licenses and identification cards with photographs.

The net fiscal impact of the bill would be to reduce revenue to the State Highway Fund by \$100,000 (based on new receipts of \$1.4 million from fee increases and on the loss of \$1.5 million previously deposited from collections for photo fees), and increase revenue by \$657,000 to the State Safety Fund, \$17,500 to the Motorcycle Safety Fund, and \$1.5 million to the Photo Fee Fund.